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Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of migrating configuration data from a first executable product to a second executable product, the method comprising:

accessing data from external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files upon startup of the first executable product to configure the first executable product for operation;

manipulating and storing the accessed data in internal tables for use by the first executable product;

instructing, from an external agent, the first executable product to provide a file containing selected configuration data;

accessing the selected configuration data from the internal tables and/or directly from the external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files; and

producing, by the first executable product, the file containing the selected configuration data in a format acceptable to the second executable product, wherein the first executable product comprises OROUTED and the second executable product comprises OMPROUTE.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, further comprising:

reading the file by the second executable product; and

configuring the second executable product for operation using the selected configuration data contained in the file.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, further comprising:

modifying the first executable product to respond to a command by the external agent to provide the selected configuration data in the format acceptable to the second executable product.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of migrating configuration data according to

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Claim 1, wherein instructing is accomplished by providing a parameter recognized by the first executable product.

5. (Original) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 4, wherein the parameter is recognized at initial startup of the first executable product.

6. (Original) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 4, wherein the parameter is recognized during normal operation of the first executable product.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 1, further comprising:

modifying the file produced by the first executable product, wherein additional data is incorporated into the file for purposes of configuring the second executable product.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 7, wherein modifying is performed by editing the file.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of migrating configuration data according to Claim 7, wherein modifying is performed by a third executable product.

10. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for migrating configuration data from a first executable code to a second executable code, the computer program product comprising:

computer readable storage medium having computer readable program code embodied in said medium, the computer readable program code comprising:

computer readable program code configured to access data from external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files upon startup of the first executable product to configure the first executable product for operation;

computer readable program code configured to manipulate and store the accessed data in internal tables for use by the first executable product;

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computer readable program code configured to receive a command from an external agent;

computer readable program code configured to obtain, responsive to the received command, configuration data available to the first executable code which is useful to the second executable code, the obtained configuration being obtained from the internal tables and/or directly from the external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files;

computer readable program code configured to arrange the configuration data according to a format usable by the second executable code; and

computer readable program code configured to write the data to one or more external media for access by the second executable code, wherein the first executable product comprises OROUTED and the second executable product comprises OMPROUTE.

11. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external agent is a command issued from a computer terminal by a human operator.

12. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external agent is a scripted command issued through execution of a batch file.

13. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external agent is a system scheduler that issues the command at a pre-determined time.

14. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the external media are persistent.

15. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 14, wherein the external media comprise one or more disk files.

16. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 10, wherein the data is obtained from one or more internal control blocks accessible by the first

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executable code.

17. (Previously Presented) The computer program product according to Claim 16, wherein the internal control blocks were constructed by the first executable code using configuration files and command line parameters.

18. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for migrating configuration data used by a first computer process to a second computer process requiring a set of data arranged in a format, the computer program product being embodied on one or more computer-readable media and comprising:

computer-readable program code configured to access data from external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files upon startup of the first computer process to configure the first computer process for operation, the computer-readable program code configured to access being contained in the first computer process;

computer-readable program code configured to manipulate and store the accessed data in internal tables for use by the first computer process, the computer-readable program code configured to manipulate and store being contained in the first computer process;

computer-readable program code configured to access selected configuration data from the internal tables and/or directly from the external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files, the computer-readable program code configured to access being contained in the first computer process;

computer-readable program code configured to respond to a command presented by an external agent to produce a file according to the format, the file containing the selected configuration data, the computer-readable program code configured to respond being contained in the first computer process;

computer-readable program code configured to output the file to a selected location, the computer-readable program code configured to output being contained in the first computer process; and

computer-readable program code configured to read the file from the selected location, the computer-readable program code configured to read being contained in the second computer

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process, wherein the first computer process comprises OROUTED and the second computer process comprises OMPROUTE.

19. (Currently Amended) A system for migrating configuration data, the system comprising:

a first executable product capable of providing a file containing selected configuration data arranged in a format responsive to a command from an external agent, the first executable product being configured to access data from external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files upon startup of the first executable product to configure the first executable product for operation, manipulate and store the accessed data in internal tables for use by the first executable product, and access the selected configuration data from the internal tables and/or directly from the external tables, commands, messages and/or configuration files; and

a second executable product responsive to the format, wherein the second executable product accesses the file to obtain the selected configuration data, wherein the first executable product comprises OROUTED and the second executable product comprises OMPROUTE.

20. (Previously Presented) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the first executable product comprises:

means for receiving the command from the external agent;

means, responsive to the receiving of the command, for obtaining those configuration data available to the first executable product which are useful to the second executable product;

means for arranging the obtained data according to the format usable by the second executable product; and

means for writing the obtained data to one or more external media for access by the second executable product.

21. (Currently Amended) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the configuration data is obtained from at least one internal table of the first executable product.

22. (Original) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the configuration data is obtained from a configuration file

23. (Original) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the configuration data is obtained in response to a startup parameter.

Claim 24 (Canceled).

25. (Previously Presented) The system for migrating configuration data according to Claim 19, wherein the second executable product is a replacement for the first executable product.

Claims 26-31 (Canceled).